



AMENDMENT

Application #	09/913,402
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Examiner	Sharareh, Shahnam J.
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In response to the Office Action dated October 12, 2005, and in conjunction with the RCE filed herewith:

A) please consider the responsive **Remarks** provided herewith in **Attachment A**; and

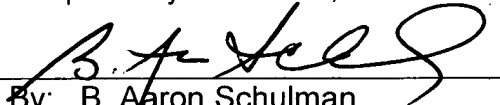
B) please amend the above identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in **Attachment B**.
- A Detailed Discussion is provided herewith in **Attachment C**.
- Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.132.

In view of the amendments made and the remarks provided, it is submitted that upon entrance of the present amendment, the present application will be placed in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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